GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:180
ANSWERED ON:14.03.2002
WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE TO T AND D SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank is helping the transmission and distribution systems in the country;

(b) if so, the details of help given by the World Bank in this regard;

(c) whether the World Bank and his Ministry have formulated a jointstrategy for the restructuring of distribution circles in the country; and

(d) if so, the extent to which the joint strategy has proved successful in revamping the T&D network in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SURESH P. PRABHU)

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OSTARRED QUESTION NO. 180 TO BE ANSWERED IN TI LOK SABHA ON 14.03.2002 REGARDING WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE TO T AND D SYSTEM.

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. The World Bank is helping in the transmission and distribution system in the country. The details of the projects and assistance being provided by the World Bank in the Transmission and Distribution system is given below :-

Sl.No.	Name of Project	Executing agency/State	Funding Agency	Loan Amount (US$ in mln.)
1.	4603-IN Power Sector Development Project II	POWERGRID/Multistates	IBRD	450.00
2.	4441-IN-AP Power Sector Restr. project	APTRANSCO/A.P.	IBRD	210.00
3.	4014-IN Orissa Power Sector	Restr. Orissa	IBRD	350.00
4.	4545-IN UP Power Sector Restr. Project.	UPPCL/U.P.	IBRD	150.00
5.	4594-IN Rajasthan Power Sector	Restr. Project Rajasthan	IBRD	180.00

(c) & (d) : Recognizing the critical need for distribution reforms, the Government of India has launched a new programme in 2000-2001 by the name of Accelerated Power Development Programme (APDP) wheredistribution circles are identified and concentrated efforts on metering, energy audit and reduction of technical losses as well as control of theft is being undertaken. The objective is to create models of success with international standards so that this can be replicated in other circles. This would also generate public support and confidence in the reform programme both from the point of view of the common public as well as potential investors in distribution privatization.

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In the States where World Bank is providing assistance forpower sector reforms and is financing investment in transmission and distribution, the adoption of the APDP strategy of choosing distributioncircles and making them models of excellence has been recommended.